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In re Application of: Kurt Ballou, Ge

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Dimattee and Adrian C. Ravenscroft

Application No.:

10/827495

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For:

Flexible Metal Wire Stent

Examiner:

Bruce Snow

Group Art Unit:

3738

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
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Docket No.: S63.2N-6072-US03

AMENDMENT

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated December 13, 2004.

If an extension of time is required to make this response timely and no separate petition is enclosed, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely. In the event that this response requires the payment of government fees and payment is not enclosed, please charge Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Please amend the application as follows: